

**ANNUAL REPORT**  
OF THE  
**Town of Grantham**  
NEW HAMPSHIRE



FOR THE YEAR ENDING  
**December 31, 1944**



# **Annual Reports**

**OF THE**

## **Officers**

**OF THE**

# **Town of Grantham**

**NEW HAMPSHIRE**



**For the Year Ending**

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## **TOWN OFFICERS**

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### **Moderator**

Glenn H. Hudson

### **Town Clerk**

Gladys D. Walker

### **Selectmen**

Merton Z. Pillsbury

Edward W. Hutchins

Glenn H. Hudson

### **Town Treasurer**

Donas J. Reney

### **Overseer of Poor**

Merton Z. Pillsbury

### **Tax Collector**

Elwin J. Kimball

### **Highway Agent**

Leston N. Horton

### **Trustees of Library**

Dorothy H. Pillsbury

Juno B. Horton

Madge Shaw

### **Librarian**

Bernice M. Howe

### **Trustees of Trust Funds**

Perley Walker

Sidney Ide

Henry A. Howard

**Supervisors of the Check List**

Wesley D. Currier

Joshua H. Dunbar

Allen W. Walker

**Auditors**

Juno B. Horton

Dorothy H. Pillsbury

**Police Officer**

Henry C. Hamilton

**Health Officer**

Allen W. Walker

**Dog Constable**

Henry C. Hamilton

**Fire Warden**

Merton Z. Pillsbury

## TOWN WARRANT

(L. S.)      THE STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

To the Inhabitants of the Town of Grantham, in the County of Sullivan, qualified to vote in town affairs:

You are hereby notified to meet at the Town Hall in said Grantham on Tuesday, the 13th day of March next, at nine o'clock in the forenoon to act upon the following subjects:

Art. 1. To choose by ballot and major vote one Town Clerk, one Town Treasurer, one Police Officer, and one Overseer of the Poor for the ensuing year, one Selectman, one Trustee of Trust Funds and one Trustee of the Public Library for the ensuing three years.

Art. 2. To choose one or more Highway Agents and all other necessary town officers, agents and committees, and pass any vote relating thereto.

Art. 3. To raise and appropriate such sum of money as may be necessary to defray town charges.

Art. 4. To see what sum of money the town will raise for support of the poor, and Old Age Assistance.

Art. 5. To see if the town will vote to apply for Town road aid.

Art. 6. To raise and appropriate such sum of money as may be necessary to repair highways and bridges.

Art. 7. To raise and appropriate such sum of money as may be necessary for snow bill.

Art. 8. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum not exceeding one one hundredth of one per cent ( $1/100$  of 1% ) of the assessed valuation based on the assessment of 1942 for the purpose of publicizing and promoting the natural resources and advantages of the town, together with other towns in the Dartmouth-Lake Sunapee Region.

Art. 9. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money for painting the Town Hall.

Art. 10. To see what sum of money the town will raise and appropriate for the care of the cemeteries.

Art. 11. To see what sum of money the town will vote to raise and appropriate for the care of the park.

Art. 12. To see if the town will vote to support United States membership in a general system of international cooperation, such as that proposed at the Dumbarton Oaks Conference, having police power to maintain the peace of the world.

Art. 13. To see if the town will vote to petition the State Tax Commission to have an audit made by the Division of Municipal Accounting, and to make an appropriation to cover the expense of such audit.

Art. 14. To see if the town will vote to raise the sum of \$400.00 for control of the White Pine Blister Rust to be spent in cooperation with the State Forestry Department.

Art. 15. To see if the town will vote to instruct the selectmen to hire money if necessary.

Art. 16. To hear the reports of the officers, agents and committees heretofore chosen and pass any vote relating thereto.

Art. 17. To transact any other business that may legally come before said meeting.

Given under our hands and seal this 24th day of February, in the year of our Lord nineteen hundred and forty-five.

MERTON Z. PILLSBURY,  
EDWARD W. HUTCHINS,  
GLENN H. HUDSON,

Selectmen of Grantham.

# Budget of the Town of

Estimates of Revenue and Expenditures for the En-  
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Actual Revenue and Expenditures of the Pre-

SOURCES OF REVENUE	Actual Revenue Previous Year 1944	Estimated Revenue Ensuing Year 1945	Increase	Decrease
From State:				
Interest and dividends tax	\$ 9.22	\$ 9.22	\$	\$
Savings bank tax	93.90	93.90		
For fighting forest fires		13.45	13.45	
Class V road	368.00	368.00		
From Local Sources Except Taxes:				
Rent of town hall and other buildings	10.00	10.00		
Interest received on taxes	39.47	39.47		
Income of Departments:				
Highway, including rental of equipment	29.20	29.20		
Refund	1.50			1.50
Motor vehicle permit fees	180.61	180.61		
Dog licenses	72.00	72.00		
Sale of town property acquired by tax deeds	75.00			75.00
Tax sales redeemed	145.12	145.12		
Filing fee	2.00			2.00
Amount raised by issue of bonds or notes:				
Anticipation of taxes	1,000.00	1,000.00		
Cash surplus	341.87	500.00	158.13	
From local taxes other than property taxes:				
Poll taxes—Regular at \$2	170.00	170.00		
National bank stock taxes		5.00	5.00	
Total revenues from all sources except property taxes	2,537.89	2,635.97	176.58	78.50
Amount to be raised by property taxes	8,308.77	8,308.77		
Total revenues	\$10,846.66	\$10,944.74		



## Grantham, N. H.

During Year, January 1, 1945 to December 31, 1945

and with

Previous Year, February 1, 1944 to December 31, 1944

PURPOSES OF EXPENDITURES	Actual Expenditures Previous Year 1944	Estimated Expenditures Ensuing Year 1945	Inc.	Dec.
<b>CURRENT MAINTENANCE EXPENSES:</b>				
General Government:				
Town officers' salaries	\$ 502.50	\$ 502.50		\$
Town officers' expenses	382.52	382.52		
Expense of town hall	1.00	1.00		
Protection of Persons and Property:				
Police department	18.00	18.00		
Fire department	26.90	26.90		
Bounties	63.50	63.50		
Health:				
Vital statistics	6.50	6.50		
Highways and bridges:				
Town maintenance, summer	1,145.92	1,145.92		
Town maintenance, winter	616.94	616.94		
Street lighting and town buildings	348.12	348.12		
General expenses of highway department	46.50	46.50		
Paid State, special poll tax	273.00			273.00
Library	15.00	15.00		
Public Welfare:				
Old Age Assistance	507.06	507.06		
Patriotic purposes:				
Memorial Day, flags	3.50	3.50		
Park	5.00	5.00		
Public Service Enterprises:				
Cemeteries	43.70	43.70		
Unclassified:				
Taxes bought by town	220.36	220.36		

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PURPOSES OF EXPENDITURES	Actual Expenditures Previous Year 1944	Estimated Expenditures Ensuing Year 1945	Inc.	Dec.
(Continued from preceding page)				
Interest:				
On temporary loans	77.99	77.99		
Indebtedness:				
Payment on principal of debt,				
Long term note	1,500.00	1,500.00		
Payments to other govern- mental divisions:				
County taxes	828.60	828.60		
Payments to school districts	3,047.37	3,047.37		
Total expenditures	\$9,684.98	\$9,411.98		\$273.00

# INVENTORY

## of the Town, April, 1944

DESCRIPTION		VALUATION
Lands and buildings		\$164,620.00
Electric plants, 2		13,336.00
Horses, 44		5,425.00
Oxen, 10		1,290.00
Cows, 111		9,810.00
Other neat stock, 15		990.00
Sheep, 57		420.00
Hogs, 3		52.00
Fowls, 785		785.00
Fur-bearing animals, 15		375.00
Portable mills, 1		600.00
Tractor, 1		400.00
Gasoline pumps and tanks		325.00
Stock in trade		6,400.00
Mills and machinery		3,000.00
Polls, 151 @ \$2	\$302.00	
National bank stock taxes	5.00	
Valuation, exclusive of soldiers' exemptions		\$207,828.00
Exempted to soldiers		4,170.00
Total valuation		<u>\$211,998.00</u>

**APPROPRIATIONS**

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Town charges	\$1,500.00
On truck	500.00
Poor and Old Age Assistance	800.00
State Aid for highways	105.77
Highways and bridges	850.00
Snow bill	700.00
Dartmouth-Lake Sunapee Region	16.00
Library	20.00
Cemeteries	34.00
Park	12.00
County tax	828.60
School tax	4,061.00

# **Financial Report**

**FOR THE**

**Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 1944**

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## **CERTIFICATE**

This is to certify that the information contained in this report was taken from official records and is complete to the best of our knowledge and belief.

December 31, 1944

MERTON Z. PILLSBURY,  
EDWARD W. HUTCHINS,  
GLENN H. HUDSON,

Selectmen.

DONAS J. RENEY, Treasurer.

## Town of Grantham

Balance

**ASSETS**

<b>Cash</b>	
In hands of treasurer	\$1,146.65
<b>Accounts Due to the Town</b>	
Due from State:	
Bounties	63.50
Joint highway construction accounts, unexpended bal. in State treasury, T.R.A.	767.27
Other bills due town:	
Elwin Kimball, hire of truck	4.20
Charles Nutting, hire of truck	4.20
<b>Unredeemed Taxes</b>	
Levy of 1943	220.36
Levy of 1942	271.96
Levy of 1941	43.61
Previous years	326.67
<b>Uncollected Taxes</b>	
Levy of 1944	1,714.60
Levy of 1943	23.98
Total assets	\$4,587.00
This Grand Total	\$4,587.00
Surplus, January 31, 1944	\$1,003.84
Surplus, December 31, 1944	\$2,761.13
Increase of surplus	\$1,757.29

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December 31, 1944

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**LIABILITIES**
**Accounts Owed by the Town**

Due to school districts:

Dog licenses	\$ 72.00
Balance of appropriation	1,062.00

**State and Town Joint Highway  
Construction Account**

Balance T.R.A. appropriation, 1943	\$ 86.21	
Balance T.R.A. appropriation, 1944	105.66	
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		191.87

**Outstanding Temporary Loans**

In anticipation of taxes	<hr/>	500.00
Total liabilities		\$1,825.87
Excess of assets over liabilities (surplus)		<hr/>
Should equal this Grand Total		2,761.13
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		\$4,587.00

Grantham, N. H.,

Receipts and

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**RECEIPTS**


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**Current Revenue**

## From Local Taxes:

Total taxes committed

to collector, 1944      \$9,320.22

Less uncollected, 1944      1,714.60

Property taxes, current

year, actually collected      7,162.62

Poll taxes, current year,

regular @ \$2, actually  
collected      170.00

Poll taxes, current year,

special @ \$3, actually  
collected      273.00

Total of current year's collections      7,605.62

Property and poll taxes, previous

years, actually collected      858.12

Tax sales redeemed

145.12

## From State:

For highways and bridges:

For Class V highway maintenance      368.00

Interest and dividend tax

9.22

Savings bank tax

93.90

Total of above current revenue

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 \$9,079.98

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## Payments for the year ended December 31, 1944

### PAYMENTS

#### Current Maintenance Expenses

##### General Government:

Town officers' salaries	\$ 502.50
Town officers' expenses	382.52
Expenses of town hall and other town buildings	1.00

##### Protection of Persons and Property:

Police department	18.00
Fire department, including forest fires	26.90
Bounties	63.50

##### Health:

Health department	5.00
Vital statistics	6.50

##### Highways and Bridges:

Town maintenance,	
Summer	\$1,145.92
Winter	616.94
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	1,762.86
Street lighting	348.12
General expenses of highway dept.	46.50

##### Libraries:

Library	15.00
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##### Public Welfare:

Old age assistance	507.06
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##### Patriotic Purposes:

Memorial Day, flags	3.50
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##### Total of above current

maintenance expenses	\$3,688.96
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Grantham, N. H.,

Receipts and

**RECEIPTS**

(Brought forward from page 14)	\$9,079.98
From Local Sources, Except Taxes:	
Dog licenses	72.00
Rent of town property	10.00
Interest received on taxes	39.47
Registration of motor vehicles, 1943-44 permits	180.61
Total current revenue receipts	<u>\$9,382.06</u>
<b>Receipts Other Than Current Revenue</b>	
Temporary loans in anticipation of taxes during year	1,000.00
Refund	1.50
Sale of town property acquired by tax deed	75.00
Use of town truck	29.20
Filing fees	2.00
Total receipts from all sources	<u>\$10,489.76</u>
Cash on hand February 1, 1944	<u>\$ 341.87</u>
This Grand Total	<u>\$10,831.63</u>

## Payments for the year ended December 31, 1944

### PAYMENTS

(Brought forward from page 15)	\$3,688.96
Recreation:	
Park	5.00
Public Service Enterprises:	
Cemeteries	43.70
Unclassified:	
Taxes bought by town	220.36
Total current maintenance expenses	\$3,958.02
<b>Interest</b>	
Paid on temporary loans	
in anticipation of taxes	\$ 77.99
<b>Indebtedness</b>	
Payments on temporary loans	
in anticipation of taxes	\$1,500.00
<b>Payments to Other</b>	
<b>Governmental Divisions</b>	
Special poll taxes @ \$3 paid to State	\$ 273.00
Taxes paid to County	828.60
Payments to School District	3,047.37
Total payments for all purposes	\$9,684.98
Cash on hand December 31, 1944	\$1,146.65
Should equal this Grand Total	\$10,831.63

## Schedule of Town Property

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DESCRIPTION	VALUE
Town hall, land and buildings	\$2,000.00
Furniture and equipment	100.00
Library, land and building	2,000.00
Furniture and equipment	500.00
Fire department	
Equipment	75.00
Highway department, lands and buildings	300.00
Equipment	3,000.00
Water power	400.00
Schools, lands and buildings	2,000.00
Equipment	200.00
Two lots lease land	3,000.00
Hibbard Veino land	200.00
Total	<u>\$13,775.00</u>

**DETAIL STATEMENT OF PAYMENTS****Current Maintenance Expenses****GENERAL GOVERNMENT****Town Officers' Salaries**

Merton Z. Pillsbury	\$70.00
Edward W. Hutchins	60.00
Glenn H. Hudson	50.00
Gladys D. Walker, town clerk	51.00
Donas J. Reney, town treasurer	50.00
Elwin J. Kimball, tax collector	48.75
Merton Z. Pillsbury, overseer	50.00
Joshua H. Dunbar, supervisor	22.50
Allen W. Walker, supervisor	22.50
Wesley D. Currier, supervisor	22.50
Juno B. Horton, auditor	10.00
Dorothy H. Pillsbury, auditor	10.00
Bernice M. Howe, librarian	35.25
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	\$502.50

**Town Officers' Expenses**

Merton Z. Pillsbury, trips, looking over land, telephone, cash paid out, postage	\$53.50
Edward W. Hutchins, trips, looking over land, expenses	45.00
Glenn H. Hudson, trips, looking over land, expenses	23.00
Merton Z. Pillsbury, overseer	37.10
Donas J. Reney, postage	1.00
Madge Shaw, typing warrant	2.00
Clinton K. Barton, transfers	3.80
Ronald Dunbar, janitor	1.00
Edson C. Eastman Co., supplies	28.53
Bernice M. MacWilliams, Register of Probate	.20
Dartmouth-Lake Sunapee Region	16.00

John W. McCrillis, bonds for town officers	22.50
Bernice M. Howe, printing town reports and stationery	99.95
Kenneth Andler, making out deed	3.00
Mutual Studios, fire-proofing in town hall	35.00
Gladys Walker, postage	1.94
E. J. Kimball, expense	9.00
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	\$382.52

**Expenses of Town Hall**

John Heath, janitor work	\$1.00
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**Police Department**

Henry Hamilton, policeman	\$18.00
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**Health Department**

Allen Walker, health officer	\$5.00
Gladys Walker, vital statistics	6.50
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	\$13.50

**Fire Department**

Merton Z. Pillsbury, warden	\$26.90
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**Bounties**

Merton Z. Pillsbury	\$17.50
Edward W. Hutchins	28.50
Glenn H. Hudson	15.50
Francis Mutney	2.00
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	\$63.50

**Town Road Maintenance**

L. N. Horton, summer	\$1,145.92
winter	616.94
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	\$1,762.86

**General Expenses of Highway Department**

Albert J. Gauthier, insurance on truck	\$30.30
Merton Pillsbury, driving truck	16.20
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	\$46.50

**Street Lighting**

Public Service Co. of N. H.	\$348.12
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**Library**

Glenn H. Hudson, care of lawn, 1943-1944	\$15.00
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**Old Age Assistance**

Sophronia J. Flanders	Laura B. Osborn	
Jennie B. Hayward	Alma C. Sanborn	
Sidney W. Ide	Vinnie M. Slack	
Ada L. Lewis	Jennie Smith	
	Total	\$507.06

**Patriotic Purposes**

J. W. Johnson & Son, flags	\$3.50
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**Care of Common**

Walter Reney	\$5.00
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**Cemeteries**

Frank Hastings, mowing	\$ 7.20
Glenn Hudson, mowing at East Grantham	36.50
	<hr/> \$43.70

**Unclassified**

Taxes bought by town and costs	\$220.36
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**Interest**

On taxes	\$11.98
On temporary loan	66.01
	<hr/> \$77.99

**Indebtedness**

First National Bank	\$1,500.00
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**Payments to Other  
Governmental Divisions**

Special poll taxes @ \$3, paid to State	\$ 273.00
County tax	828.60
School District	3,047.37
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	\$4,148.97
 Grand total	 \$9,684.98

## **TOWN CLERK'S REPORT**

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Received 1943 automobile permits	\$ .50
1944 automobile permits	180.11
1943-44 dog licenses	72.00
Filing fee (George Hastings)	2.00
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	\$254.61

Paid treasurer	\$254.61
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Number of permits issued in period,	
February 1, 1944 to December 31, 1944	1 for 1943
	<hr/> 103 for 1944
Total issued	104

GLADYS D. WALKER, Town Clerk.



# TAX COLLECTOR'S REPORT

## Levy of 1944

### Dr.

Taxes committed to Collector:

Property taxes	\$8,308.84
Poll, regular @ \$2	286.00
Poll, special @ \$3	450.00
Total warrant	\$9,044.84

Added Taxes:

Property taxes	245.38
Poll, regular @ \$2	12.00
Poll, special @ \$3	18.00
Total debits	\$9,320.22

### Cr.

Remittances to Treasurer:

Property tax	\$7,162.62
Poll, regular @ \$2	170.00
Poll, special @ \$3	273.00

Uncollected, as per Collector's list:

Property tax	1,391.60
Poll, regular @ \$2	128.00
Poll, special @ \$3	195.00
Total credits	\$9,320.22

I hereby certify that the above list is correct to the best of my knowledge and belief.

December 31, 1944

ELWIN J. KIMBALL, Tax Collector.

## TAX COLLECTOR'S REPORT

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### Levy of 1943

#### Dr.

Uncollected taxes as of Feb. 1, 1944	\$919.57	
Interest collected during fiscal year ended Dec. 31, 1944	39.50	
Overpayment to treasurer	4.36	
Added tax	2.00	
		\$965.43

#### Cr.

Total remittances to treasurer during fiscal year ended Dec. 31, 1944	\$897.59	
Abatements	43.86	
Uncollected taxes as per Collector's list	23.98	
		\$965.43

I hereby certify that the above list is correct to the best of my knowledge and belief.

ELWIN J. KIMBALL, Tax Collector.

## TREASURER'S REPORT

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From Tax Collector	
1943 taxes	\$ 858.12
1943 interest	39.47
1944 taxes	7,605.62
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	\$8,503.21
From Town Clerk	
Automobile permits	180.61
Dog licenses	72.00
Filing fee	2.00
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	254.61
Refund	1.50
Rent	10.00
Use of truck	29.20
Real estate sold	75.00
Tax sales redeemed	145.12
First National Bank	1,000.00
From State	
Class V road	368.00
Savings bank tax	93.90
Interest and dividend tax	9.22
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	471.12
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	\$10,489.76
On hand February 1, 1943	341.87
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Total receipts	\$10,831.63
Total payments	\$ 9,684.98
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Cash on hand December 31, 1944	\$ 1,146.65

DONAS J. RENEY, Treasurer.

# ROAD AGENT'S REPORT

## TOWN ROAD MAINTENANCE

### SUMMER WORK

L. N. Horton, team	\$ 22.40	
		LABOR
L. N. Horton	299.00	
M. Z. Pillsbury	259.20	
M. Z. Pillsbury, Jr.	83.70	
Edward Hutchins	64.80	
William Hutchins	43.20	
Carl Reney	46.80	
Charles Thornton	43.20	
Elbridge Smith	21.60	
Richard Howard	32.00	
		\$915.90
		MISCELLANEOUS
D. J. Reney, plank	\$181.53	
W. A. Reney, gas and oil	21.09	
Newport Motor, wheel	10.25	
Newport Motor, work	6.85	
Flanders & Patch, work	10.30	
		\$230.02
Total for summer		\$1,145.92

### WINTER WORK

L. N. Horton	\$151.97
M. Z. Pillsbury	174.00
M. Z. Pillsbury, Jr.	10.30
Edward Hutchins	28.80
Henry Hamilton	7.80
Elbridge Smith	49.50
Frank Hastings	34.20

Glenn Hudson	21.00	
Robert Currier	1.00	
Claude Moulton	1.00	
Robert Howard	4.50	
	<hr/>	\$484.07

## MISCELLANEOUS

Newport Motor, repairs and labor	\$57.30	
R. C. Hazelton, hydraulic ram	19.00	
Belisles Tractor & Diesel Service, repairing plow hoist	4.25	
W. A. Reney, gas and oil	37.32	
H. G. Fairbanks, welding	15.00	
	<hr/>	\$132.87
Total for winter		\$ 616.94
Total for summer		<u>\$1,145.92</u>
Grand total		\$1,762.86

LESTON N. HORTON, Agent.

# **Report of the Trust Funds of the Town of Grantham on December 31, 1944** **Invested in Newport Savings Bank at 2%**

Date of Creation	Trust Funds—Purpose of Creation	Amt. of Principal	Income, All Expended
1891—1899			
1907—1911	From sale of lease land, school fund	\$623.00	\$12.52
1900	Hannah Hayward Fund, for cemetery lot	400.00	8.04
1900	William Howe Fund, for cemetery lot	50.00	1.00
1911	L. F. Shaw Fund, for cemetery lot	50.00	1.00
1913	Jonathan Brown Fund, for cemetery lot	150.00	3.01
1913	Hannah Stevens Fund, for cemetery lot	50.00	1.00
1920	Mercy Sanborn George Fund, for cemetery lot	100.00	2.01
1929	Reverdy Smith Fund, Wm. Smith cemetery lot	50.00	1.00
1933	Irene W. Hemphill Fund, for cemetery lot	100.00	2.01
1935	Estella Hitchcock Fund, for cemetery lot	100.00	2.01
1941	Louisa B. Bailey Fund, for Lucy A. Roach and Herbert J. Wiggins lots	75.00	1.50
1944	Alice M. Wilcox Fund, for Harrison Goss lot	100.00	
1915	Hiram Buswell Fund, for library	300.00	6.03

This is to certify that the information contained in this report is complete and correct, to the best of our knowledge and belief.

December 31, 1944.

HENRY A. HOWARD,  
 PERLEY WALKER, Trustees.

## CEMETERY AGENT'S REPORT

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Received interest on all cemetery funds	\$22.58
Paid Henry A. Howard, work in East Grantham cemetery	\$14.54
Paid Perley Walker, work and material furnished in Dunbar Hill cemetery	8.04
	\$22.58

PERLEY WALKER, Agent.

## AUDITORS' REPORT

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This is to certify that we have audited the accounts of the Selectmen, Town Treasurer, Town Highway Agent, Town Clerk, Tax Collector and other officers, and find them correctly cast and supported by proper vouchers.

JUNO B. HORTON,  
DOROTHY H. PILLSBURY,  
Auditors.

## LIST OF FIRE WARDENS

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MERTON Z. PILLSBURY, Warden.

Wilfred A. Reney	Allen W. Walker
Edward W. Hutchins	George W. Hastings
	Deputy Wardens.

## **Synopsis of Forest Fire Permit Law**

(Chapter 191, Public Laws)

No person shall kindle a fire upon the land of another without permission from the owner, agent or caretaker thereof.

No person shall kindle a fire or burn any material in or near woodlands, pasture, brush, sprout, waste or cut over lands, or where the fire may be communicated to such land, except when the ground is covered with snow, without the written permission of the Forest Fire Warden or the presence of the warden or person designated to superintend such burning.

Any person, firm or corporation causing or kindling a fire without a permit, when a permit is required, and also any person, by whose negligence or the negligence of his agents any fire shall be caused, is liable to the town for all expenses incurred in attending or extinguishing such fire.

Every person who shall set fire on any land, that shall run upon the land of another, shall pay to the owner all damages done by such fire.

When permission has been obtained from the land owner, camp or cooking fires may be kindled without permission of the Forest Fire Warden (unless such permission is required by city or town), at suitable times and in suitable places where they will not endanger woodlands. Upon failure to totally extinguish such fires the parties responsible are subject to the same liabilities and penalties as are prescribed for other fires.

Penalty for kindling a fire without a permit, \$200, or imprisonment not more than thirty days.

Penalty for kindling a fire willfully, or in a careless or imprudent manner, \$500, or imprisonment not more than one year, or both.



## DUNBAR FREE LIBRARY

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### Librarian's Report

Town books loaned	315	
State books loaned	797	
	<hr/>	1,112
Received from fines		\$3.41

Over twenty books from the late Ora C. Hastings' collection were presented to the Library.

BERNICE M. HOWE, Librarian.

### Trustees' Report

#### RECEIPTS

Cash on hand February 1, 1944	\$23.79	
Trust fund	6.03	
Fines	3.41	
Refund on books exchanged	4.71	
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Cash on hand January 1, 1945		\$37.94

DOROTHY H. PILLSBURY,  
JUNO B. HORTON,  
MADGE B. SHAW,

Trustees.

**ANNUAL REPORT**  
**OF THE**  
**Grantham School District**

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**Officers of the District**

**Moderator**

Glenn H. Hudson

**Clerk**

Bernice M. Howe

**Treasurer**

Bernice M. Howe

**School Board**

Gladys D. Walker, Chairman  
(Term expires March, 1945)

Rosamond L. Kimball  
(Term expires March, 1946)

Alberta A. Hastings  
(Term expires March, 1947)

**Superintendent of Schools**

William J. English

**School Nurse**

Elizabeth Donovan

**Auditors**

Juno B. Horton  
Dorothy H. Pillsbury

## WARRANT

(L. S.)      THE STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

To the Inhabitants of the School District of the Town of Grantham, in the County of Sullivan, in said State, qualified to vote in district affairs:

You are hereby notified to meet at the Town Hall in Grantham on Tuesday, the 13th day of March, 1945 at two o'clock in the afternoon to act upon the following subjects:

Article 1. To choose a Moderator for the ensuing year.

Article 2. To choose a Clerk for the ensuing year.

Article 3. To choose a Treasurer for the ensuing year.

Article 4. To choose a member of the School Board for the ensuing three years; one member for one year and one member for two years.

Article 5. To choose Auditors for the ensuing year.

Article 6. To hear the reports of agents, auditors, committees and other officers heretofore chosen, and pass any vote relating thereto.

Article 7. To see if the District will vote to make any alteration in the amount of money required to be assessed for the ensuing year for the support of public schools, and the payment of the statutory obligations of the District as determined by the School Board in its annual report.

Article 8. To transact any other business that may legally come before this meeting.

Given under our hands and seal this 17th day of February nineteen hundred and forty-five.

GLADYS D. WALKER,  
ALBERTA A. HASTINGS,  
Grantham School Board.

# FINANCIAL STATEMENT

**June 30, 1944**

## RECEIPTS

State aid	\$2,313.22
Town	3,131.00
Dog licenses	104.72
Income from local trust funds	14.09
Refund	14.09
Balance on hand July 1, 1943	89.14
Total receipts	<u>\$5,666.26</u>

## PAYMENTS

Salaries of district officers	\$ 73.00
Superintendent's salary	200.00
Truant officer and school census	5.00
Expenses of administration	48.88
Teachers' salaries	3,310.56
Text books	21.36
Scholars' supplies	114.92
Other expenses of instruction	6.50
Janitor service	131.40
Fuel	108.25
Water, lights and janitor supplies	26.39
Minor repairs	159.46
Tax for state wide supervision	152.00
Refund to town	99.93
Total payments	<u>\$5,514.79</u>
Balance on hand June 30, 1944	151.47
Grand total	<u>\$5,666.26</u>

## DETAIL STATEMENT OF PAYMENTS

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### Salaries of District Officers

Alberta Hastings, chairman	\$20.00
Gladys Walker, board member	15.00
Rosamond Kimball, board member	10.00
Bernice Howe, treasurer and clerk	23.00
Dorothy Pillsbury, auditor	2.50
Juno Horton, auditor	2.50
	<hr/> \$73.00

### Superintendent's Excess Salary

State Treasurer	\$200.00
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### School Census

Alberta Hastings	\$5.00
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### Expenses of Administration

Edson C. Eastman	\$17.26
The Howe Press, printing	5.00
Albert Gauthier, treasurer's bond	5.00
Lebanon School District, clerical work	21.62
	<hr/> \$48.88

### Teachers' Salaries

Blanche Carr	\$984.00
Ida Soboll	984.00
Dorothea Bergeron	984.00
Paid Collector of Internal Revenue, tax	313.20
Paid Collector of Internal Revenue, previous year's tax	45.36
	<hr/> \$3,310.56

### Text Books

Row, Peterson & Co.	\$2.06
The Southern Pub. Co.	1.56
The Macmillan Co.	4.04

Sugar Ball Press	7.99
Charles Scribner's Sons	3.82
Ginn and Company	1.89
	<hr/> \$21.36

**Scholars' Supplies**

Edward E. Babb & Co., Inc.	\$65.39
The Macmillan Co.	24.30
Laidlaw Bros.	8.78
Gledhill Bros., Inc.	1.35
McNeill's Drug Store	3.21
Ginn and Company	3.42
Hectograph Co.	2.38
The Southern Pub. Co.	1.19
Lebanon School District	4.90
	<hr/> \$114.92

**Other Expenses of Instruction**

The Howe Press	\$2.50
Wanda Chapman	4.00
	<hr/> \$6.50

**Janitor Service**

Eleanor Barton	\$15.00
Florence Hutchins	6.00
Elsie Pillsbury	36.00
Dellivan Thornton	29.20
Kenneth Barton	26.00
Howard Pillsbury	14.00
Walter Reney	5.20
	<hr/> \$131.40

**Fuel**

Reney Bros.	\$76.00
Richard Holmes	16.00
Henry Sherman	6.00
Floyd Currier	2.25
Kenneth Barton	2.00
Herbert Thornton	6.00
	<hr/> \$108.25

**Janitors' Supplies**

W. A. Reney	\$26.39
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**Minor Repairs and Expenses**

Lewis Bros.	\$ 8.38
D. W. Perkins	3.40
Martin's Hardware	20.18
Rowell Bros.	57.80
Silsby & Johnson	1.25
Verne Spooner	1.00
George Hastings	4.20
Wilma Hastings	10.00
Alberta Hastings	8.00
C. H. Davis	1.75
Kenneth Barton	3.00
Clifton Wallace	.50
Leslie Small	40.00
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	\$159.46

**Medical Inspection**

Elizabeth Donovan, school nurse	\$100.00
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**Transportation of Pupils**

Clifton Wallace	\$105.00
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**High School Tuition**

Lebanon School District	\$520.00
Newport School District	332.14
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	\$852.14

**Other Fixed Charges**

State Treasurer, per capita tax	\$152.00
Refund to town	\$99.93
Total payments for all purposes	\$5,514.79
Balance June 30, 1944	\$151.47

## TREASURER'S REPORT

**Fiscal Year Ending June 30, 1944**

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### RECEIPTS

Cash on hand June 30, 1943	\$ 89.14
Selectmen, appropriations	3,131.00
Dog tax	104.72
Income from trust funds	14.09
State treasurer, state aid	2,327.31
Total amount available for fiscal year	<u>\$5,666.26</u>
Less school board orders paid	<u>\$5,514.79</u>
Balance on hand as of June 30, 1944	\$ 151.47

BERNICE M. HOWE,  
District Treasurer.

## AUDITORS' CERTIFICATE

This is to certify that we have examined the books, vouchers, bank statements and other financial records of the treasurer of the school district of Grantham, of which the above is a true summary for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1944, and find them correct in all respects.

JUNO B. HORTON,  
DOROTHY H. PILLSBURY,  
Auditors.



## BUDGET FOR 1945-1946

### Detailed Statement of Requirements

#### Support of Schools

Teachers' salaries	\$3,600.00	
Text books	75.00	
Scholars' supplies	100.00	
Flags and appurtenances	5.00	
Other expenses of instruction	5.00	
Janitor service	95.00	
Janitor supplies	35.00	
Fuel	178.00	
Minor repairs	100.00	
Medical inspection	100.00	
Transportation	108.00	
Total		\$4,401.00

#### Other Statutory Requirements

Salaries of district officers	\$ 69.00	
Payment of high school tuition	1,400.00	
Superintendent's excess salary	200.00	
Per capita tax	164.00	
Truant officer and census	5.00	
Other expenses of administration	50.00	
Payment of bills from previous year	200.00	
Total		\$2,088.00
Total budget		\$6,489.00

#### ESTIMATED INCOME

Balance June 30, 1945	\$ .....	
State aid allotment	2,445.36	
Dog tax	50.00	
Income from trust funds	25.00	
Total		\$2,520.36
Assessment required to balance		
School Board's budget		\$3,968.64

## SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

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To the School Board and Citizens of Grantham:

This report will cover some of the principal items of interest to the school patrons and others, who, while having no children in school, are no doubt interested.

The teaching personnel, this year, is entirely new, as far as the Grantham schools are concerned. The principal difference in our teaching staff, over that of previous years, is the fact that two of the teachers have had considerable more experience in school work and all three are of sufficient maturity to have acquired judgment that comes with contacts with people. In general, it appears that the public is more content with the teaching staff than it has been for some time. It would be my recommendation that the people of Grantham, do as was done, at the last annual meeting, continue to make a substantial enough appropriation to retain teachers of maturity and stability.

The school buildings in Grantham need general renovating especially on the inside. Both of the buildings were painted two years ago on the outside and present a very favorable appearance. The roofs on both buildings are good. There seems to have been, in the management of the school fire and heating apparatus, a good deal of difficulty with smoking stove pipes, so that rooms that have been redecorated are soon blackened up and present a dingy, dispiriting appearance. An additional new chimney at the Grantham Village School and new window sash would be of very great advantage. The new chimney would reduce the necessity for a long stove pipe from one room to another and lessen the possibility of smoke damage. New window sash would tighten up the window fittings and

reduce the necessity for so much heat. Provision should be made for banking the village school during the winter months.

A considerable number of children continue to show a definite desire to further their education through high school attendance. These usually go to Newport or Lebanon High School. This tuition is a considerable burden on the community but State Aid may be available to give some relief in this respect. In general, a high school education is becoming a very common thing so that what we used to understand as the "common school" education, meaning the first eight grades, is now usually accepted as covering the full twelve grades.

Miss Elizabeth Donovan, the school nurse, has been looking after the health and physical welfare of the children as best she can, with the time available.

In conclusion, I would recommend that we make a definite effort to raise enough money to assure ourselves of continued experienced teachers and repair the interior of the buildings so that the children will be in as attractive surroundings as possible.

Some general information with reference to school enrollment, list of pupils who have graduated and the report of the school nurse will be found on another page of this report.

I am pleased to express publicly my appreciation for the cooperation of the teachers and pupils.

Respectfully submitted,

WILLIAM J. ENGLISH,

Superintendent of Schools.

## REPORT OF SCHOOL NURSE

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Total number pupils examined	66
Total number pupils excluded	4

### Defects found:

Overweight	1	
Defective vision	2	Number corrected, 2
Poor posture	6	
Defective teeth	20	
Enlarged tonsils	5	
Defective breathing	1	
Gingivitis	1	Receiving treatment, 1
Defective speech	2	

### Cases of Communicable Diseases:

Mumps	2
Pediculosis	4
Skin disease	1

7 pupils were vaccinated

### Class room visits:

16 at North Grantham, 22 at Grantham Village

### Home visits:

4 at North Grantham, 7 at Grantham Village

Examined for pediculosis, 66

Respectfully submitted,

ELIZABETH DONOVAN, R. N.

## ENROLLMENT

September 1, 1944

No. pupils in grades	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	Total by School
Grantham Primary									
Zelma Watts	6	6	6	1					19
Grantham Grammar									
Maude Burton					3	2	6	3	14
North Grantham									
Mabel Pillsbury	1	2	2	4	3	4	3	4	23
Totals	7	8	8	5	6	6	9	7	56

### GRANTHAM TUITION PUPILS

1944-1945

#### LEBANON HIGH SCHOOL

Barbara Holmes	Gr. 10	Marjerie Hastings	11
Elsie Pillsbury	9	Merton Pillsbury	11
Howard Pillsbury	9	Marjorie Reney	11
Patricia Walker	11	Carl Reney	10
Lenora Follensbee	11	Dorothy Sanders	9
Edmund Hutchins	10		

#### NEWPORT HIGH SCHOOL

Mavis Hastings	Gr. 12	Dorothy Pillsbury	12
Eleanor Tucker	10	Albert Willis	10
Edna Sherman	10	Wilbert Willis	9
Jennett Sherman	9	Annette Kimball	9

#### GRADUATES EIGHTH GRADE, 1944

Ruth Dickinson	Eunice Dufield
Maurice Hoitt	Annette Kimball
Francis Mutney	Howard Pillsbury
Elsie Pillsbury	Jennett Sherman

# BIRTHS

*Registered in the Town of Grantham for the Year ending December 31, 1944*

Date of birth	Place of Birth	Name of child	Sex		No. of child		Name of father	Maiden name of mother	Color		Residence of parents	Occupation of father	Birthplace of father	Birthplace of mother
			Living	Stillborn	Living	Stillborn			White	Color				
Mar. 3	Newport.....	George Washington	M		4		Clifton S. Wallace...	Marie L. Partridge...	White		Grantham ....	Stage-driver.....	Grantham .....	Croydon .....
May 9	Hanover.....	Phyllis Althea.....	F		5		Densmore F. Currier	Julia E. Westover...	White		Grantham ....	Laborer .....	Grantham .....	Quebec, Vt. ....
July 10	Hanover.....	Rita Mary .....	F		4		Arthur G. Smith.....	Dorothy M. Church...	White		Grantham ....	Dyer .....	Grantham .....	Boston, Mass. ....
Sept. 1	Lebanon.....	Russell Clyde.....	M		3		Clyde C. Currier .....	Helen K. Snow .....	White		Grantham ....	Laborer .....	Grantham .....	Frankfort, Me. ....

# MARRIAGES

*Registered in the Town of Grantham for the Year ending December 31, 1944*

Date of marriage	Place of marriage	Name and Surname of groom and bride	Residence of each at time of marriage	Age	Color	Occupation of groom and bride	Place of birth of each	Names of parents	Birthplace of parents	No. Marriage	Name of person by whom married
Jan. 1	Newport.....	Joseph E. Mercier .....	Grantham .....	61		Machinist .....	Claremont.....	Moses Mercier .....	St Johns, Can. ....	2	Clarence H. Clark ...
		Jennett B. Reney.....	Grantham .....	53		At home.....	Grantham .....	Adeline Mercier .....	St Johns, Can. ....	2	.....Minister .....
Mar. 17	Lebanon.....	*Vernon R. Spooner.....	Grantham .....	19		Soldier .....	Newport.....	Francis B. Pillsbury .....	Springfield .....	1	.....Newport
		*Wilma L. Hastings.....	Grantham .....	19		Machinist .....	Grantham .....	Naomi Sargent.....	Dumbarton .....	1	George R. Wolverton
June 8	Grantham....	Clyde C. Currier .....	Grantham .....	25		Laborer .....	Grantham .....	Leon L. Spooner.....	Grantham .....	1	.....Minister .....
		Helen S. Nutting .....	Grantham .....	24		At home.....	Frankfort, Me. ....	Ina L. Sanborn.....	Franklin, Vt. ....	1	.....Lebanon
Aug. 7	Sunapee .....	†Kenneth Cote .....	Newport.....	22	White	Truck driver..	Keene .....	George W. Hastings.....	Franklin, Vt. ....	1	.....Minister .....
		†Lillian E. Wright .....	Newport.....	22		Shoe shop .....	Grantham .....	Alberta Planders .....	Enfield .....	1	.....Justice of the Peace
Sept. 23	Grantham....	Ernest O. Stetson .....	Wh'e River Jet, Vt 28	28		Farmer .....	W. Hartford, Vt. ....	Fred L. Currier.....	Enfield .....	2	.....Grantham
		Margaret M. Williams .....	Wh'e River Jet, Vt 32	32		Housekeeper .....	Reading, Vt.....	Josephine Spaulding .....	Frankfort, Me. ....	1	Sydney Adams .....
Nov. 28	Newport.....	Ernest W. Smith .....	Grantham .....	43		Mill-worker .....	Grantham .....	Mark A. Snow.....	Swinsville, Me. ....	2	.....Minister .....
		§Viola E. Lanpher .....	Grantham .....	17		At home.....	Burlington, Vt. ....	Henry Cote .....	Claremont.....	1	Clarence H. Clark ...
								Rose Lamond .....	Claremont.....	1	.....Newport
								Lawrence Wright .....	Claremont.....	1	.....Sunapee
								Gladys Moulton .....	Hartford, Vt. ....	1	Gladys D. Walker ...
								Ernest O. Stetson .....	Hartford, Vt. ....	2	Justice of the Peace
								Hewitt Marshall .....	Brooklyn, N Y .....	1	.....Grantham
								Ethel Cady .....	M'eapolis Min .....	2	.....Minister .....
								Elbridge Smith .....	Grantham .....	2	Clarence H. Clark ...
								Mary Currier .....	Grantham .....	1	.....Minister .....
								Leon C. Lanpher .....	Hyde Park, Vt .....	1	.....Newport
								Maudie L. Davis.....	Belvedere, Vt .....	1	.....Newport

\*Permission to marry, blood test waived, 5-day period waived, by permission of Probate Court.

†Blood test and 5-day wait waived by Probate Court.

§By permission of Probate Court.



# DEATHS

Registered in the Town of Grantham for the Year ending December 31, 1944

Date of death	Place of death	Name and surname of deceased	Age			Place of birth			Occupation	Place of birth		Name of father	Maiden name of mother
			Years	Months	Days	Place of birth	Sex	Color		Single, married or widowed	Father	Mother	
Jan. 29 Newport .....		Ella Salome Barton ..	90	6	25	Sunapee .....	F	White	Housewife ..	w	.....	.....	Hepsebeth Dodge ...
Feb. 6 Miami, Fla. ...		George H. Wallace ..	80	...	...	.....	M	...	Mill hand ..	s	.....	.....	.....
July 17 Grantham .....		Ralph M. Richardson ..	43	1	24	Springfield ...	M	...	.....	...	Springfield ...	Springfield ...	Charles F. Richardson Emma F. Boyce .....

I hereby certify that the foregoing returns are correct, according to the best of my knowledge and belief.

GLADYS D. WALKER, Town Clerk.





